

**Testimony before the Human Services Committee
SB 280 An Act Concerning the Department of Social Services
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Good afternoon members of the Human Services Committee.

I am a woman around 60 years old, a special needs adult who has trouble in my life. I can do many things good and work with people in need and people with disabilities and disabled children. I also work with CREC, South Windsor Board of Education with children with special needs.

I volunteer at InterCommunity doing clerical work. I have passed the Essentials of Legislative Advocacy training with Keep the Promise. So, I keep myself really busy. But, when it comes to the Department of Social Services, I am at a loss. When I've tried to get them on the phone, I end up getting so frustrated I'm crying.

And sometimes, you end up getting cut from programs because paperwork is lost. They need to bring back more workers to get things done. They have to stop cutting state workers there.

Thank you.

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